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TO CREATE RESERVE IN OREGON

Definite Recommendation From Bureau of Forestry to Secretary Hitchcock to Be Made in Few Days.

All Opportunity for Fraudulent or Unfair Operations Has Been Headed Off

OVER FOUR MILLION ACRES

Detailed Examination Has Been Made Since Withdrawal of These Vast Tracts—Irregular Lines.

Portland, May 19.—A special dispatch to the Oregonian from Washington says:

"Within a few days the bureau of forestry will submit to Secretary Hitchcock a final and definite recommendation that four forest reserves be created in eastern Oregon, embracing an aggregate area of 4,000,000 acres or more. These are the Blue mountain reserve, Walla walla reserve, Walla Walla or LaGrande reserve, which extends into Washington, and Joseph river or Chemunimus reserve.

"The bureau of forestry, since the withdrawal of these vast tracts, has made a detailed examination of each quarter section and knows definitely the character of each subdivision. In recommending the creation of permanent forest reserves, the bureau has drawn boundary lines very irregularly so as to eliminate as far as practicable, all agricultural land and all lands which have passed into private ownership. Before recommending the creation of the reserve, Chief Forester Finckh aimed to head off all opportunity for fraudulent or unfair operations and believes he has so drawn the reserve boundaries as to practically prevent the creation of a base for lien selections on any considerable scale. Those lands lying around the outer limits of the Blue mountains withdrawal, which were apparently entered a year or more

ago for speculative purposes, are thrown outside of the permanent reserve recommended, and will not become base lands.

NIGGER IN WOOD PILE.

Chances for Land Fraud in Grande Bonde Indian Reservation.

Portland, May 19.—The Oregonian's special correspondent at Washington sends the following dispatch:

The interior department in preparing an advertisement of the lands of the Grande Bonde Indian reservation, Oregon, which are to be sold under an act of the recent congress, has discovered a trace of what it believes is a nigger in the wood pile. The act contains a provision authorizing the sale of this land in small tracts, or the entire tract to one purchaser. The department does not understand any reason for the latter provision and says that the sale of 27,000 acres of land to one person or corporation would be contrary to the administration's policy of getting the public lands into the hands of actual settlers and home builders.

Secretary Hitchcock will, if possible, take advantage of the provision in the law authorizing him to "reject any or all bids" in order to prevent all Grande Bonde lands from falling into the hands of one purchaser, as half of the lands to be sold are valuable timber lands, and the other half are rich grazing lands. The department will endeavor to sell to numerous individual purchasers.

FRANCE AGAINST VATICAN.

Will Recall Ambassador Because of Protest of Pope Against Loubet.

Paris, May 19.—The council of ministers assembled in extraordinary session today to consider the action to be taken relative to the Pope's protest against President Loubet's visit to Rome. As the version of the protest forwarded to the governments having relations with the vatican differs from that forwarded to the French government, it was decided to first ascertain definitely what representations the vatican made to foreign governments. Later it became known that the recall of M. Nisard, the ambassador from France to the vatican, had been decided upon if the authenticity of the protest forwarded to the foreign powers was established. This practically assures the ambassador's recall, as little or no doubt exists relative to the protest. The effect of the ambassador's recall will be to interrupt diplomatic relations between France and the vatican.

TWO THOUSAND RUSSIANS KILLED AND WOUNDED IN FIGHT AT HSIEN YEN CHENG

Japs Driven Back to Fengwangcheng After Receiving Heavy Blow—Russian Cruiser Grounded.

Rumored That Russia Is Making Negotiations With Germany to Gain William's Influence in Settlement of Far East Question—Loss of Jap Ships Is Officially Confirmed by Messenger.

Will Relieve Port Arthur

Great Battle Expected Soon Between Land Forces at That Point—Japs Preparing.

London, May 19.—The Standard's correspondent at Tien Tsin wires that while the Japanese fleet was covering the landing of the troops near Kaichau on Monday a fierce engagement occurred at Hsien Yen Cheng. Two thousand Russians were killed or wounded. The Russians retreated, and the Japanese occupied both Kaiping and Kaichau.

Niuchwang, May 19.—It is reported here from a reliable source that the Japanese army from the Yalu river has received a heavy blow and has been driven back to Fengwangcheng.

Paris, May 19.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Echo de Paris says: "The Russian cruiser Bogatyr grounded during a fog on the rocks near the entrance to Vladivostok. The position is critical. The crew was saved."

JAP LOSS CONFIRMED.

Russians Claim Event Is Sign of Divine Intervention.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—The loss of at least two Japanese warships is officially confirmed. A message dated Port

Arthur, which was received by carrier pigeon at Mukden and transmitted to the emperor this morning stated that two Japanese warships had been lost off that port.

Early in the afternoon reports concerning the sinking of the Shikishima and Fuji on the authority of Russian refugees from Dainy began to circulate and aroused intense excitement. Without reference to its effect on the campaign people regard the disaster as divine interposition in the Russian cause.

"It is an offering to Russia upon the day of ascension and the emperor's birthday," they say, "and is a sign that God is with us."

The loss of the ships was of more importance, according to a general staff member, who pointed out to the Associated Press that it tends to restore the equilibrium afloat.

RUSSIA AFTER GERMANY.

Negotiating to Gain Her Influence in Settling War.

Paris, May 19.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says:

"It is persistently rumored that negotiations are going on with Germany with the object to effect an approachment, and develop a constitution of triple alliance whereby Russia would obtain Germany's diplomatic support in the settlement of the far eastern question. An understanding with Germany would prevent British intervention in favor of Japan and Russia would, as an immediate pledge, concede the settlement of pending economic and customs questions.

"The attempt to form a Russo-German entente is due to the Anglo-French entente which produced a deplorable effect here."

England Sends Ship.

Wei Hai Wei, May 20.—British sloop of war Espley has started for Niuchwang to protect British interests there.

TO RELIEVE PORT ARTHUR.

Seventy Thousand Russians Pushing Forward to Besieged City.

London, May 20.—A correspondent of the Daily News cables from Tien Tsin as follows:

"It is reported that 70,000 Russians are marching to the relief of Port Arthur and the Japanese are consequently hastening offensive operations.

"Forty-five thousand troops have already been landed at Kinchau and Taiten Wan, thus entirely investing Port Arthur. The Japanese have advanced their lines within seven miles of the Russian batteries.

"Skirmishes occurred yesterday along the railroad.

"It is believed that the Japanese intend to attack Port Arthur with their entire force, when it numbers 50,000 men. They are mounting six-inch naval guns of steel wheels with the object of silencing the Russian batteries.

"The Manchurian railway north of Harbin is being constantly broken by Chinese marauders and the Russians threaten reprisals.

"The Russians admit that they have to contend with terrible difficulties along the whole line. Their men, however, are behaving splendidly and they are very confident."

LITTLE FAITH IN CHINA.

Russians Not Enthusiased With Her Neutrality Protestation.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—It is learn-

ed that Foreign Minister Lamsdorff, in interviews yesterday with representatives of the great powers, laid particular emphasis upon the attitude of the Chinese. He referred to the necessity for all the governments continuing the policy of constantly impressing upon the Chinese the advisability of preserving strict neutrality. The foreign minister desires that China shall not only be officially neutral, but that there shall be no interference on the part of her people, and he believes the latter point can be assured if violations of the imperial proclamations are swiftly punished. The minister has not forgotten the supineness of the imperial government in 1900, which permitted the Boxer movement to spread, until it implicated the court and required international intervention.

The views of the Russian foreign minister are regarded as significant, especially as they follow the renewed assurances of the Chinese minister.

The military expert of the Novoe Vremya expresses the same opinion; which is slowly crystallizing here, that the attitude of the Chinese authorities and the activity of Chinese brigands are tantamount to a state of war.

"It is the worst kind of war," says the expert, "since it is coated by hypocritical neutrality. Russia is now warring in a hostile country."

Strikers and Police Clash.

Callao, Peru, May 19.—The strikers and the police clashed here today. One striker was killed and seven wounded.

LaFollette Nominated.

Madison, May 19.—Governor Robert M. LaFollette was today for the third time selected to head the republican state ticket of Wisconsin.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Pacific Coast.

At Portland—San Francisco 1, Portland 3.

At Tacoma—Seattle 12, Tacoma 6.

At San Francisco—Oakland 1, Los Angeles 5.

Pacific National.

At Spokane—Butte 2, Spokane 3.

At Boise—Salt Lake 11, Boise 5.

American.

At Philadelphia—St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 3.

At Washington—Chicago 5, Washington 0.

National.

At Chicago—Brooklyn 1, Chicago 4.

SALEM MAN AT HEAD OF THE ORDER

Odd Fellows Elevate J. A. Mills to Office of Grand Master at Session Held Yesterday Morning.

Take Up Legislative Work and Decide Upon Abolition of Black List Circular.

ADJOURN BEFORE EVENING

Rebekah's Appointive Officers Are Announced and Delegates Leave the City on Night Train and Boats.

◆ Grand Master—J. A. Mills of Salem.
◆ Deputy Grand Master—W. H. Hobson of Stayton.
◆ Grand Warden—W. A. Carter of Gold Hill.
◆ Grand Secretary—E. E. Sharon of Portland.
◆ Grand Treasurer—Dr. O. D. Deane of The Dalles.
◆ Grand Representative—Joseph Miceli of Roseburg.
◆ Trustees of Odd Fellows' Home—T. F. Ryan of Oregon City.

At the annual session of the grand lodge of the Odd Fellows of Oregon, which convened again at 9 o'clock yesterday morning the above officers were elected to serve for the coming term. They were installed yesterday afternoon.

Aside from the election of officers and committee work on the appointive officers, there was little of public interest in the last day's session. Perhaps the greatest bit of legislative work was an amendment to the by-laws doing away with the quarterly black list circular. During the election of officers there was a great deal of friendly rivalry and several spirited contests, but

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